



Registrar of Voters

DAILY BALLOT PROCESSING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 3rd, 2024

Function	Start	End	Explanation
Mail Ballot Sorting	8 a.m.	TBD	Mail ballots are run through sorting machines that scan the signature on the envelope for review, scan the voter identification barcode to track voter participation, sort ballots that are accepted for counting and challenged for further review, and slice open envelopes for ballots accepted for counting.
Mail Ballot Challenge Resolution	8 a.m.	TBD	Review, management, and resolution of all mail ballots that have not yet been accepted for counting, including notifying voters of a signature issue that can be cured by the voter. This team also reviews the postmarks on mail ballots that are delivered from November 6 to November 12.
Mail Ballot Preparation for Counting	8 a.m.	TBD	Each returned mail ballot accepted for counting is prepared for counting, which includes extraction, boxing and weighing.
Ballot Duplication	8 a.m.	TBD	Two-person teams process damaged ballots that cannot be read by the ballot scanners pursuant to California Uniform Vote Counting Standards.
Ballot Counting	7 a.m.	TBD	Votes on accepted ballots are counted using high-speed ballot scanners.
Ballot Adjudication	7 a.m.	TBD	Two-person teams process write-in votes and mismarked ballots that cannot be partially or wholly read by the ballot scanners pursuant to California Uniform Vote Counting Standards. (2 CCR sections 20980 - 20985)

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Function	Start	End	Explanation
Ballot Storage	9 a.m.	TBD	Batches of counted ballots are weighed, logged, and stored. During the canvass, some boxes will be retrieved as at least 1% of the ballots are randomly selected for a hand count audit. After the election is certified and any recounts are completed, the ballots must be securely stored until January 2026 and cannot be accessed without a court order.
Election Results Reporting	TBD	TBD	Unofficial election results reports are posted on ROV's website and social media accounts.

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